

**Syria Accountability and Lebanese Sovereignty Restoration Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, after consultation with the Democratic Leader, Senate begin consideration of H.R. 1828, to halt Syrian support for terrorism, end its occupation of Lebanon, stop its development of weapons of mass destruction, cease its illegal importation of Iraqi oil and illegal shipments of weapons and other military items to Iraq, and by so doing hold Syria accountable for the serious international security problems it has caused in the Middle East, that the debate be limited to 90 minutes; provided further, that the Lugar/Boxer/Santorum amendment be the only amendment in order, and that amendment be agreed to; further, that upon disposition of the Lugar amendment and the use or yielding back of time, that the bill as amended be read a third time and a vote be scheduled at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader.

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**National Consumer Credit Reporting System Improvement Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 10:30 a.m., on Tuesday, November 4, 2003, Senate will begin consideration of S. 1753, to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act in order to prevent identity theft, to improve the use of and consumer access to consumer reports, to enhance the accuracy of consumer reports, to limit the sharing of certain consumer information, to improve financial education and literacy.

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#### **Appointments:**

**National Council of the Arts:** The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105–83, announced the appointment of the following Senators to serve as members of the National Council of the Arts: Senators Bennett and Sessions.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Gene E. K. Pratter, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Gordon H. Mansfield, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general. Routine lists in the Coast Guard, Navy.

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—433)  
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**Adjournment:** Senate met at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 7:29 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, November 4, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S13837.)

## **Committee Meetings**

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### **MUTUAL FUNDS**

**Committee on Governmental Affairs:** Subcommittee on Financial Management, the Budget, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine the extent and impact of alleged trading abuses in the mutual fund industry and regulatory reforms necessary to mitigate such practices in the future, focusing on management and governance to identify statutory and regulatory reforms that should be enacted in order to prevent a recurrence of the abuses and to better protect fund shareholders, after receiving testimony from Representative Baker; Stephen M. Cutler, Director, Division of Enforcement, and Paul F. Royce, Director, Division of Investment Management, both of U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; William F. Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Boston; New York State Attorney General Eliot Spitzer, Albany; Mary L. Schapiro, National Association of Securities Dealers, and Matthew P. Fink, Investment Company Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; John C. Bogle, Vanguard Group, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Mercer E. Bullard, Fund Democracy, Inc., Oxford, Mississippi.